

September 14, 2006

**VIA ECF and
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Honorable Kenneth M. Karas
United States District Judge
United States District Court
500 Pearl Street
Room 920
New York, New York 10007

**RE: United States of America v.
Douglas Shyne, et al.
S1 05 Cr. 1067 (KMK)
Client: Nathaniel Shyne**

Dear Judge Karas:

In reference to the conference scheduled for Friday, September 15th, I write to inform the court that counsel will not be present, but counsel's partner, Charles G. Fiore, will appear on his behalf. On Friday, I am required to be at a court ordered federal civil deposition in Albany representing the State Senate. Conversations with the government and the defendant concerning a disposition in this matter are moving along.

I apologize to the Court for such short notice.

Respectfully yours,

/s/
DAVID L. LEWIS

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cc: E. Danya Perry (via ECF)
Assistant United States Attorney